Alameda County Congestion Management Agency



Transportation Update

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I-680 and I-580 Express Lanes

The CMA is developing High Occupancy Toll (HOT) lanes in the I-680 corridor and I-580 corridor in the Livermore Valley. The Metropolitan Transportation Commission MTC) is proposing a network of HOT lanes throughout the Bay Region. As part of the public outreach for the I-680 HOT lane, a 4-minute video was created to explain the concept to the public and decision makers. The video was shown to the CMA Board at its December meeting. The video can also be viewed at the CMA website: http://www.accma.ca.gov/pages/i680ExpressLane.aspx

Second Cycle Lifeline Transportation Fund Final Program

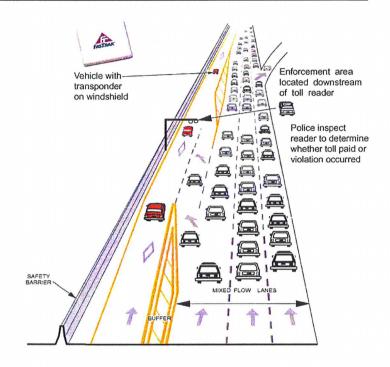
At its December 2008 meeting, the CMA Board approved the Second Cycle Lifeline Transportation Fund Final Program which includes the following projects totaling approximately \$12.6 million:

- San Leandro LINKS Shuttle
- ♦ BART/West Oakland Library Shuttle
- ♦ Meekland Ave. Transit Access Improvements
- ♦ Hacienda Ave. Transit Access Improvements
- AC Transit Existing Service Preservation in Communities of Concern
- ♦ Neighborhood Bicycle Centers
- ♦ WHEELS Route 14 Service Provision
- ♦ Environmental Justice Access to BART

Congestion Management Program 2008 Conformity

The CMA, at its December 2008 meeting adopted the findings that all jurisdictions are in conformance with the following four elements of the Congestion Management Program (CMP):

- ♦ The CMP Land Use Analysis Program
- ♦ Transportation Demand Management Element
- Payment of fess
- ♦ LOS Monitoring



State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) Commitments Policy

The CMA Board approved Resolution 08-018 outlining a policy for programming future STIP funds. This policy addresses the following projects:

- ♦ MTC Revised Resolution 3434 which addresses the region's Transit Expansion Program and funding scenarios for the BART Warm Springs Extension, Dumbarton Rail Corridor and AC Transit BRT projects,
- Previous STIP commitments made by the CMA, and
- Infrastructure Bond Projects.

Truck Parking Facility Feasibility and Location Study Final Report

At its December meeting, the CMA Board approved the Truck Parking Facility Feasibility and Location Study final report. This study specifically focused on truck parking facilities in Alameda County particularly in the I-80, I-880, and I-580 corridors. The report is available on the CMA website: http://www.accma.ca.gov/pages/MtgTruckParkFeas.aspx

CMA Annual Board Retreat

The CMA Annual Board Retreat held on December 18, 2008 at the David Wendel Conference Center in Oakland focused on legislative advocacy and climate change. Jim Copeland, CMA's federal legislative advocate, provided information on the proposed federal stimulus package. Randy Rentschler of MTC, discussed the principles MTC had adopted for the stimulus funds: (a) support for sustained effort to promote transit; (b) strong preference for shovel ready projects; and (c) set-aside funds for large future projects. Steve Wallauch, CMA's State legislative advocate, gave an update related to the proposed State Budget which if approved would (1) reduce available funding for transit, (2) reduce gas sales tax, and (3)impact tax-based programs such as Measure B. Michael McCornick of PMC, gave a presentation on the science of climate change, legislation related to green gas reduction, and local actions that can help address climate change. The Board was asked what role CMA should play in addressing climate change. The Board agreed that CMA should take a leadership role in climate action. When asked where CMA can have highest impact, they responded that CMA should address land use as it relates to supporting transit services and redirect funding based on considerations. They also expressed preference for programs that support "green building" and alternative fuel technologies. They would like CMA to be involved in programs on alternative fuels and technologies, regional coordination and changing land use patterns. They supported expanding CMA's role in regional planning and suggested creative use of all available funding opportunities to address climate change issues as well as assuming a larger advocacy role in supporting funding requests.



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Projections 2009: An Early Look at How the Bay Area May Implement SB 375

As part of its biennial update to the region's land use forecast, or Projections 2009, Associations of Bay Area Governments (ABAG) staff has begun preliminary work on SB 375. Regional agency staff has prepared two alternative land use forecasts for the region. At the December meeting, ABAG staff presented these forecasts to the CMA Board to seek input on the two alternatives.

We are on the web: www.accma.ca.gov

Upcoming Meetings

January

- 5 CMA Technical Advisory Committee (ACTAC)
- 12 CMA Audit Committee
- 12 CMA Administration and Legislation Committee
- 12 CMA Plans and Programs Committee
- 14 CTC meeting—Sacramento
- 22 CMA Board
- 27 Special ACTAC meeting

February

- 2 CMA Technical Advisory Committee
- 9 CMA Administration and Legislation Committee
- 9 CMA Plans and Programs Committee
- 18 CTC meeting—Sacramento
- 18 California Transportation
 Foundation Forum —
 Sacramento Convention Center
- 26 CMA Board

Deadlines to Note

January 23, 2009 - Public Education and Marketing for the I-580 Eastbound HOT Toll Lane Project proposals are due to the CMA at 3:00 p.m.

January 27, 2009 - LSR Economic Stimulus Project applications are due to the CMA.

January 30, 2009 - 2009/2010 TFCA County Program Manager Fund applications are due to the CMA at 3:00 p.m.

February 9, 2009 - CMA submits LSR Economic Stimulus Project applications to the MTC.

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